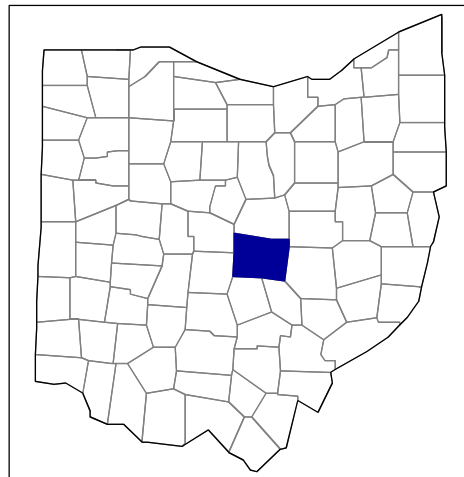


# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Licking, Ohio



### Number of farms

1,482 farms in 2002, 1,439 farms in 1997, up 3 percent.

### Land in farms

237,285 acres in 2002, 247,568 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

### Average size of farm

160 acres in 2002, 172 acres in 1997, down 7 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$105,723,000 in 2002, \$128,905,000 in 1997, down 18 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$39,442,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$66,281,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

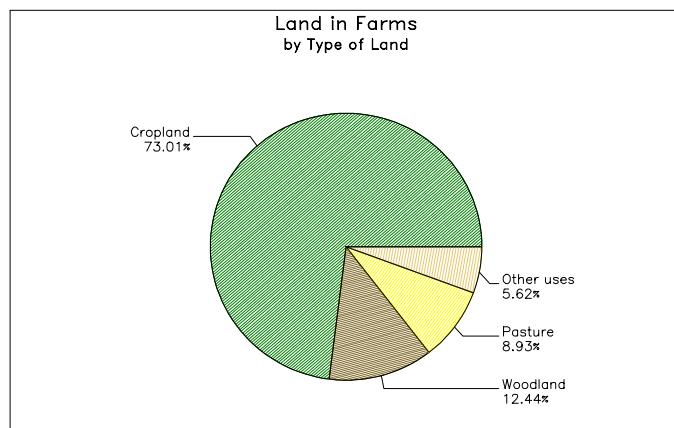
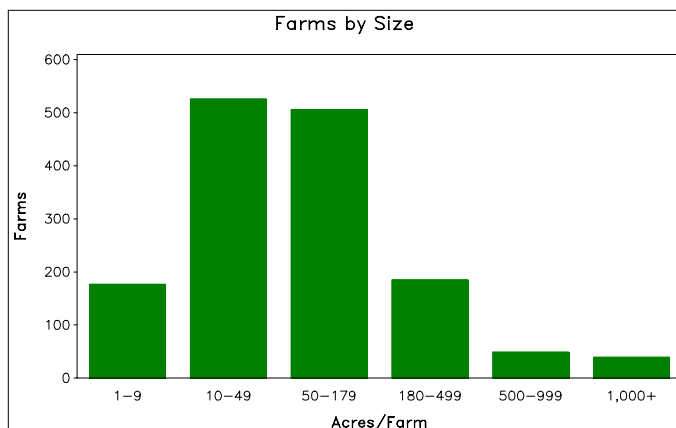
\$71,338 in 2002, \$89,580 in 1997, down 20 percent.

### Government Payments

\$3,477,000 in 2002, \$1,850,000 in 1997, up 88 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,422 in 2002, \$4,684 in 1997, up 101 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 88 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

| Item  | Quantity | State Rank | Universe <sup>1</sup> | U.S. Rank | Universe <sup>1</sup> |
|---|----------|------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| <b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>             |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Total value of agricultural products sold                               | 105,723  | 4          | 88                    | 465       | 3,075                 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse                         | 39,442   | 19         | 88                    | 643       | 3,070                 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products                         | 66,281   | 5          | 88                    | 382       | 3,070                 |
| <b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>                      |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas                               | 23,442   | 35         | 88                    | 601       | 2,871                 |
| Tobacco   | -        | -          | 24                    | -         | 560                   |
| Cotton and cottonseed   | -        | -          | -                     | -         | 656                   |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes                        | 936      | 31         | 88                    | 784       | 2,747                 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries  | 2,435    | 2          | 88                    | 220       | 2,638                 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod                              | (D)      | (D)        | 87                    | (D)       | 2,708                 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops                      | (D)      | (D)        | 81                    | (D)       | 1,774                 |
| Other crops and hay   | 2,201    | 9          | 88                    | 572       | 3,046                 |
| Poultry and eggs  | (D)      | (D)        | 88                    | (D)       | 2,918                 |
| Cattle and calves   | (D)      | (D)        | 88                    | (D)       | 3,053                 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows                                 | (D)      | (D)        | 87                    | (D)       | 2,493                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 3,622    | 24         | 88                    | 564       | 2,919                 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products  | 383      | 4          | 88                    | 240       | 2,997                 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys                              | 980      | 7          | 88                    | 136       | 3,014                 |
| Aquaculture   | (D)      | (D)        | 39                    | (D)       | 1,520                 |
| Other animals and other animal products                                 | 240      | 16         | 88                    | 527       | 2,727                 |
| <b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>                           |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Layers 20 weeks old and older   | (D)      | 3          | 88                    | (D)       | 2,983                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 21,668   | 18         | 88                    | 498       | 2,926                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 20,755   | 18         | 88                    | 1,416     | 3,059                 |
| Sheep and lambs   | 4,628    | 5          | 88                    | 237       | 2,867                 |
| Horses and ponies   | 3,198    | 6          | 88                    | 182       | 3,065                 |
| <b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>   |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Soybeans  | 67,567   | 37         | 88                    | 443       | 2,076                 |
| Corn for grain  | 40,765   | 37         | 88                    | 568       | 2,592                 |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 24,509   | 15         | 88                    | 914       | 3,059                 |
| All Wheat for grain   | 7,222    | 38         | 88                    | 765       | 2,517                 |
| Corn for silage   | 2,787    | 22         | 87                    | 602       | 2,307                 |

**Other County Highlights**

| Economic Characteristics                    | Quantity | Operator Characteristics  | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales                     |          | Principal operators by primary occupation:                        |          |
| Less than \$1,000                           | 411      | Farming   | 760      |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499                          | 210      | Other   | 722      |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999                          | 233      |   |          |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999                          | 175      | Principal operators by sex:                                       |          |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999                        | 141      | Male  | 1,249    |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999                        | 43       | Female  | 233      |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999                        | 83       |   |          |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999                        | 24       | Average age of principal operator (years)                         | 54.3     |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999                        | 59       |   |          |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999                      | 50       | All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:                               |          |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999                      | 28       | White   | 2,090    |
| \$500,000 or more                           | 25       | Black or African American   | 2        |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)    | 71,367   | American Indian or Alaska Native                                  | 7        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 48,221   | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander                         | 2        |
|   |          | Asian   | -        |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 39,395   | More than one race  | 4        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 26,619   | All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin | 30       |

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.